

REMARKS

The Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 1, 3-7, 9-42, 44-49, 50 and 52-59 in the Final Office Action mailed March 1, 2006.

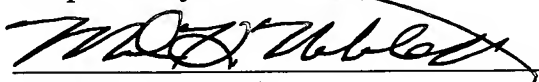
In order to place the case into condition for allowance, the Applicants are requesting entry of amendments to cancel the two remaining claims 8 and 51, as well as to correct the omission of the article "A" at the beginning of claim 52. Accordingly, entry of the foregoing amendments and issuance of a Notice of Allowance for claims 1, 3-7, 9-42, 44-49, 50 and 52-59 is respectfully requested.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #080437.52447US).

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